(which is double the normal rate due to non-payment of guarantee fee in time) is as under:

(Rs. in crores)

Name of the organization	Amount of guarantee fee payable at normal rate	Amount of guarantee fee payable at penal rate
Air India Indian	21.43	42.86
Airlines	33.82	67.64

Against the above liabilities towards guarantee fee, Air India has paid in full at the normal rate and Indian Airlines have so far paid Rs. 8.50 crores.

Construction of International Airport at Chokan

†*393. SHRI RS. GAVAI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether MIDC is constructing an International Airport at Chakan near Pune;

(b) whether Government also propose to construct an international cargo hub in it;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL): (a) Maharashtra Industrial Development Corporation (MIDC) has a proposal to construct a Greenfield International Airport at Chakan near Pune.

(b) Airports Authority of India (AAI) has no plan at present to construct an international cargo hub at Chakan near Pune.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) Upgradation of airport infrastructure including the air cargo facilities by AAI is a continuous exercise which is contingent on demand side, supply side and other factors. In case of Chakan, as the MIDC's project

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is at preliminary stage, no plans on construction of international cargo hub can be spelt out.

Enhancement of eligibility limit for payment of bonus

*394. SHRI C. PERUMAL; Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is proposed to enhance the eligibility limit for payment of bonus from three thousand five hundred rupees to a suitable limit;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) to (c) Enhancement of the eligibility limit under the Payment of Bonus Act, 1965 from Rs. 3500/- to Rs. 7500/- per month, and the calculation limit from Rs. 2500/- to Rs. 3500/- per month, as recommended by the Second National Commission on Labour (NCL) is being examined by the Ministry of Labour in consultation with all the stakeholders. The financial implication of such a step in respect of the employees of Public Sector Undertakings (both central and State), Central and State Governments and Autonomous Organisations, besides the Private Sector are also being studied by the Ministry of Labour.

Financial Package to Himachal Pradesh

†*395. SHRI SURESH BHARDWAJ:
SHRI SURENDRA LATH:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Prime Minister has announced to give financial package to the State Government of Himachal Pradesh, if so, amount of fund given;

(b) items and schemes for which fund has been released under the said financial package;

(c) whether any special assistance has been given for the annual plan of the State in this financial package, if so, details thereof; and

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